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CAMLOG

4th International CAMLOG Congress

The conference motto “Feel the pulse of science in the heart of Switzerland” has obviously struck a chord with potential participants. Three months before the congress in Lucerne, the workshops taking place the day before the event on Mount Pilatus are already fully booked up. And for the thrilling party “Let’s rock the Alps!” at 1,600 meters above sea level, CAMLOG has virtually been overrun by a wave of registrations; the Friday party was soon fully sold out and party registrations can now only be accepted for Saturday, May 5.

At the Lucerne Culture and Congress Center directly on Lake Lucerne, an internationally renowned panel of speakers will present current topics of implant dentistry, e.g. innovations in implant-abutment connections, long-term clinical experience with platform switching, the demographic shift and increasingly aging patients, as well as current trends in “digital dentistry”.

And to conclude the congress, the popular “Meet the experts” panel discussion will be held. Complex cases with compromised and demanding patients will be presented and discussed. The panel will be moderated by K.-L. Ackermann, G. Alcoforado, and A. Zöllner.

Registration for the Congress is still open, and besides the state-of-the-art congress program with world renowned speakers, Lucerne, with its picturesque town, its mountain views, and the lake, is absolutely worth a visit, too.

CAMLOG is looking forward to welcoming numerous guests to the 4th International Congress in the heart of Switzerland to “Feel the pulse of science in the heart of Switzerland”, May 3 through 5, 2012.

For more information and registration, please go to: www.camlogcongress.com

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DENTSPLY Friadent

DENTSPLY Friadent World Symposium

Again, for the 15th time, internationally renowned speakers and delegates active in implantology will meet together in March 2012 to share their scientific and practical experience and to discuss the latest insights within the context of the DENTSPLY Friadent World Symposium. The focus of the conference, which, as the first of its kind, can already look back on 20 years of continuity, is the topic of “Tissue Response” with valuable background information and practical solutions for long-term stable hard and soft tissues in daily practice.

The implant position in the bone and the type and geometry of the connection are only some of the aspects that decide a successful integration of the implant restoration and hence the long-term esthetics. What role does the interaction between modern implant surfaces and bone play, and how can treatment concepts complement stable soft tissue support? This is the topic of the first surgically-oriented sessions of the Symposium. But it’s not only the surgery that has a direct influence on the long-term success of implant-supported solutions and healthy tissue conditions. Consequently, the basic principles of prosthetics also take center stage at the 15th DENTSPLY Friadent World Symposium.

Whether in the Marketplace, where visitors will experience the concepts and solutions from the scientific program live and can actively “come to grips” with them in the hands-on training sessions, or in the Poster Gallery, which offers all attendees the opportunity to present, discuss and submit their work for a Poster Award, scientific exchange is the focus of the Symposium, as well as at the workshops on anatomical compounds for “Bone Grafting Techniques” and “Soft Tissue Management”, which take place as early as Thursday. There are more than enough reasons to take part again in the practice-orientated Symposium in 2012. “After this Symposium, visitors will be right up to date with dental treatment and implantological concepts. Numerous internationally recognized experts in the clinical, scientific and prosthetics fields will make sure of it”, declares the associate professor, Dr Martin Groten, Director of Clinical Research & Education for DENTSPLY Friadent, already awakening interest in the run-up to the Symposium. You will find more information on the 2012 DENTSPLY Friadent World online: www.dentsply-friadent.com/symposium.

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Philips

Dental Hygienists would recommend Sonicare Diamond-Clean to each other

Members of the German Society of Dental Hygienists (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Dentalhygieniker/-innen, DGDH e.V.) have put Philips Sonicare DiamondClean through its paces under day-to-day clinical conditions. “Afterwards, 85% of the users wanted to recommend this sonic toothbrush to their colleagues”, reports Sylvia Fresman, chairman of the DGDH.

The dental hygienists especially liked the new brush head: having 44% more bristles than the head of a ProResults brush, as well as a diamond-shaped arrangement of the bristles, the brush head plays a crucial role in Sonicare’s cleansing performance. A total of 89% of the testers described an intense cleansing experience, with 87% stating that Sonicare Diamond-Clean was “pleasantly powerful and effective”.

This model of the Philips Sonicare line can clean even hard-to-reach areas, 74% of the test group confirmed. Moreover, 30% of the testers stated that they perceived a whitening effect after using Sonicare DiamondClean.

“Most impressive to me was the fact that 65% of the group said that Sonicare Diamond-Clean was one of the most remarkable new products in the past IDS year”, Sylvia Fresman adds.
Dentaurum Implants

Cleaning made easy: tioLogic© easyClean

Dentaurum Implants GmbH and Miele Professional have worked together to develop an innovative system solution for efficient and reproducible machine-based preparation. The heart of this development is the tioLogic© easyClean surgery tray, which enables consistent and outstanding machine-based cleaning and disinfection results in both dental practices and in centralized preparation centres in hospitals. Not only do these improvements offer huge savings in time and costs, but reproducible machine preparation results also significantly increase reliability for their users.

Nobel Biocare

NobelClinician: Software now faster and easier to use

The new update to NobelClinician also increases treatment flexibility by opening the software to other major implant systems. Users will now have the convenience of using one software to plan treatments that involve implants from various providers. In addition to Nobel Biocare’s assortment, Straumann® implant systems are also available with other major implant systems to come.

NobelClinician is the first advanced diagnostics and treatment planning software for both Mac OS® X and Windows®. It serves an increasing demand in the dental community as dental professionals frequently also use Apple devices in their dental practices.

Implant Direct Sybron

On the Winning Side with SwishPlus™

“SwishPlus™ is compatible with Straumann Standard and Standard Plus implant systems”—this was the correct answer to Implant Direct Sybron’s quiz at the DGI’s annual congress in Dresden.

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Mr Pappelau continues by announcing the winner of the quiz, “Dr Nadine Hotz from Sigmaringen’s Klinik am Schloss is the lucky winner of our first prize, a brand-new Apple iPad2. Our congratulations!”

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Advanced implantology training for dental undergraduates

Amsterdam’s ACTA dental school, one of the leading international university centers for dentistry, and Straumann, a leader in implant and restorative dentistry and oral-tissue regeneration, are collaborating to enhance implantology training for dental undergraduates.

The shared goal of high-quality education in dentistry has brought ACTA and Straumann together. This collaboration has led to a novel dental education concept for oral implantology in the bachelor/master dental curriculum. From now on, ACTA’s undergraduate program will include the teaching of all basic aspects of oral implantology, including prosthetics, diagnosis, compliance and treatment planning—subjects that are often covered only in postgraduate courses. The new curriculum has been made possible thanks to Straumann’s commitment to supply materials for tooth-replacement solutions, planning software, as well as training for the key faculty staff at ACTA.

ACTA wanted to limit this program to one implant system, and the success of its previous collaborations made Straumann an obvious choice. The decision was also driven by the fact that it is considerably easier to train staff in surgical and prosthetic procedures using only a single implant system. Straumann offers a comprehensive system for tooth replacement—from implant to crown—as well as state-of-the-art integrated digital solutions with seamless connectivity.

Professor Daniel Wisneijer, Chairman at ACTA’s department of Oral Implantology and Prosthetic Dentistry, commented, “We have reserved 400 hours in an extra-training year to teach the students the basic principles of oral implantology. One of the main aspects of this additional training program is that all students must incorporate implantology into their treatment plans. This is a prerequisite to receive the dental degree. On a yearly basis, we expect to insert and restore 160 implants in the dental curriculum training.”

Matthias Schupp, Head of Straumann’s Western Europe region, noted: “We are pleased that Straumann has been selected as the system of choice in this project with ACTA. We see this as a long-term relationship that could shape dental education in the future. Working alongside dental faculties to support and advance training and education is important to Straumann, and we are exploring possibilities to introduce similar models to other universities as well”.

BioHorizons Symposium Series

Please join us for the BioHorizons Symposium Series in Italy at the Rome Marriott Park Hotel from 18 to 20 October, 2012. This Symposium addresses a wide range of dental implant controversies including implant esthetics, implant complications and tissue regeneration. It is the perfect opportunity to stay current on the latest treatment options and remain aware of what techniques and products are supported by peer-reviewed research. This 2012 program has expanded to three days with a Biologicals Forum on the afternoon of Thursday, October 18. Simultaneous interpretation will be available in Italian and Spanish. Enrollment will be limited to maintain an environment conducive to learning, so please register now to reserve your place at this outstanding educational event.

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**Membranes in Focus: 2nd International Meeting in Lucerne**

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In the presentation block, the basic principles of bone regeneration were described in detail as well as the role of membranes in guided bone regeneration (GBR) and guided tissue regeneration (GTR). Prof Jan Lindhe (Sweden) demonstrated histologically that new bone is only formed in the region around blood vessels. Prof Daniel Buser (Switzerland) considers a few weeks to be realistic for the formation of temporary matrix in most cases. After this period the wound area has superficially healed and soft tissue integration of the membrane has begun. This in turn is attributable to the good tissue tolerance of Geistlich Bio-Gide®, Prof Jürgen Becker (Germany) explained that, preclinically, blood vessels are created within the porous membrane structure after just one week. According to Prof Becker, this could contribute to the augmentative success of Geistlich Bio-Gide®, together with the soft tissue integration. Dr Jean-Louis Giovannoli (France) uses Geistlich Bio-Gide® membranes for peri-implantitis therapy, especially for three-wall defects. He considers the mechanical stabilisation of the augmentation material to be the most important function of the membrane.

Following intensive and partly controversial discussions, the experts in Lucerne agreed on the key requirements for GBR membranes. Besides a suitable barrier function and good clinical handling, uncomplicated behaviour in the event of dehiscence is desirable. Geistlich Bio-Gide® meets these conditions.

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